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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Vijay C. CHHABADA et al.**

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Application Number: **10/553,957**

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For: **A PROCESS FOR PREPARATION OF 1-[9H-CARBAZOL-4-YLOXY]- 3-[{2-(2-(METHOXY)PHENOXY)-ETHYL}-AMINO]-PROPAN-2-OL**

Attorney Docket Number: **053229**
Customer Number: **38834**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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March 10, 2008

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated February 8, 2008.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-6, and Group (II), Claims 7-12, drawn to another process for preparation for a compound of formula I
Applicant(s) hereby elect(s) the subject matter of **Group (I), Claims 1-6** for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, and it is understood that Applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.